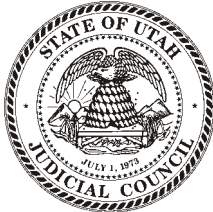


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### **PRESIDING JUDGES NAMED IN THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

**Salt Lake City, UT---**Judge Robert Hilder has been named presiding judge for the Third District Court effective July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2009. Judge Hilder replaces Judge Sandra Peuler. Judge Paul Maughan has been named associate presiding judge in the district court.

Judge Elizabeth Lindsley has been named presiding judge for the Third District Juvenile Court effective July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2009. Judge Lindsley replaces Judge Kimberly Hornak. Judge Christine Decker has been named associate presiding judge in the juvenile court.

The presiding judges are responsible for the effective operation of their courts. According to court Rule 3-104, presiding judges are responsible for implementation and enforcement of statutes, rules, policies, and directives of the Judicial Council as they pertain to the administration of the courts. The presiding judge is responsible for assigning cases and judges.

Presiding judges and associated presiding judges are elected by a majority vote of the judges of their court. When the presiding judge is unavailable, the associate presiding judge assumes his or her responsibilities.

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